

Neighborhood Advisory Group (NAG) Meeting
San Jose City Hall Wing, room 118-119
June 16, 2010

6:30 pm- Agenda Item I-Welcome and Chair's Remarks

- Joan Rivas-Cosby welcomed everyone. In Don Gagliardi's absence, Joan to chair the meeting.
- Thanked everyone for their continued support and attendance at the NAG.
- Led group introductions.

6:31 pm- Agenda Item II- Councilmember Liccardo Announcements

- Budget discussion is ongoing. Currently having the legal ramifications assessed for the last minute union proposal submitted.
- 2 key priorities for our district met. The Gardner, Alma and McKinley community centers to remain open. Library hours reduced to 4 ½ days, up from the proposed 3 days.
- Re-election bid was successful.
- Q: Beth asked if there was anything that the community could do at this point to encourage council members to support a budget that considers neighborhood priorities? A: Nothing further to be done at this time, waiting to see if the Mayor's budget has the votes.

6:45 pm- Agenda Item III- Neighborhoods Commission Update

- The commission sent letters to the mayor and council supporting lengthening police rotations from 6 mos. to 1 year. Also sent a letter emphasizing the neighborhood budget priorities, a safe city is more than police and fire.
- Tree-trimming:
- Bob- relayed his positive experience receiving information from SJC
- Joan- D3 tree project is ongoing. Interested tree vendors will be contacted for more info, update at a future meeting. D3 interns will assist with phone calls.
- Suggestion: Due to level of interest, invite City Arborist to attend August meeting. Meanwhile Beth will e-mail information.
- Jay- Q: Does PG&E follow City guidelines when trimming trees? Do they pay permit fees? A: Yes they pay permit fees. Unsure if guidelines followed.

7:20 pm- Agenda Item IV- District 3/City Budget Discussion

- Japantown parking meters: the vote to increase fees to be consistent with other City parking fees will be this Thursday or possibly Tuesday. The enforcements hours are still TBD. Funds from the meters go to the

general fund, not specifically to the area collected. D3 office will support fees collected stay in the district.

7:25 pm Agenda Item V- NAG Leadership 2010-2011

- Don Gagliardi will be stepping down as NAG Chair. Any interested parties should contact Ragan or Councilmember Liccardo.
- Time commitment includes NAG meeting attendance (1 ½ hrs) NAG pre-meeting (1/2 hr) and additional time as hot topics emerge (TBD).
- Thank you to Don for time and leadership to NAG.

7:32 pm Agenda Item VI- Open Forum & Announcements

- Rita- Spartan Keyes Center celebrated 1 yr anniversary with “family day” event last Saturday. Eastfield Ming Quong (EMQ) will offer free music lessons to kids ages 7-18 on Tuesday evenings, Call for more info.
- Sami-McKinley Bonita hosted a successful outdoor movie night and will be scheduling dumpster days 1x month.
- Jay- Q: Update on Bail Bonds locations. A: All Pro is moving from current location to nearby sushi bar location. The sushi location is legal.
- Councilmember Liccardo- First Fridays is great and has been expanded. Fliers available with upcoming dates.
- Paul- Free disaster preparedness/emergency response training available. Current class full, but can schedule another session.
- Beth- Naglee Park hosted a successful 2nd annual open studios event. Bark in the Park is scheduled for Sat. Sept. 18. Volunteers are needed.
- Tina- Rotary Ryland pool is open for swim lessons and “open swim”.
- Sami- Started a community garden in her front yard as part of Mesa Verde project. Hopes other will join the project sponsored by Sacred Heart.
- Patti- June 26th a bocce ball tournament will be held at Backesto Park
- Marie- Thank you to Councilmember Liccardo for attending Dia de Portugal.
- Ragan- Taking suggestions for locations for the annual Sept. NAG BBQ.
- Mauricio- Any interest in a lunchtime dog-walking event at St James Park?

7:50 pm- Meeting Adjourned.

Next meeting date: Wednesday, August 18, 2010 6:30-8:00 pm, City Hall meeting room 118-119. ** NO MEETING HELD IN JULY**